0000078085

BEFORE THE ARIECTA CORPORATION COMMISSION ANZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS

2007 OCT 23 A 11: 38

DOCKETED

MIKE GLEASON, Chairman WILLIAM A. MUNDELL JEFF HATCH-MILLER

AZ CORP COMMISSION DOCKET CONTROL

OCT 23 2007

DOCKETED BY

no

5 KRISTIN K. MAYES **GARY PIERCE** 6

1

2

3

4

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF PINE WATER COMPANY FOR APPROVAL TO (1) ENCUMBER A PART OF ITS PLANT AND SYSTEM PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §40-285(A); AND (2) ISSUE EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS PURSUANT TO A.R.S. §40-302(A).

DOCKET NO. W-03512A-07-0362

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On June 11, 2007, Pine Water Company ("PWC" or "Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application seeking approval to (1) encumber a part of its plant and system pursuant to A.R.S. §40-285(A); and (2) issue evidence of indebtedness pursuant to A.R.S. §40-302(A).

The Company's application is related to a Joint Well Development Agreement ("Agreement") entered into between PWC and the Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District ("PSWID"). According to the application, the Agreement provides, among other things, that PWC would enter into a contingent indebtedness with PSWID in the amount of \$300,000, for costs related to drilling a deep well at the K2 well site, and that PWC's assets would be encumbered in a like amount.

A number of public comment letters have been filed to date in this docket, mostly concerning opinions about the K2 well site.

On July 12, 2007, Commissioner Mayes filed a letter in the docket stating that a hearing should be held on PWC's application.

On August 22, 2007, Commissioner Mayes filed a second letter suggesting that a public comment hearing should be scheduled in the Pine or Strawberry communities regarding the K2 well proposal.

On September 7, 2007, the Commission's Utilities Division Staff ("Staff") filed a Staff Report

recommending approval of the application.

By Procedural Order issued September 14, 2007, a hearing was scheduled for October 15, 2007, and the Company was directed to mail and publish notice of the hearing.

On September 18, 2007, PWC filed a Request to Change Schedule due to unavailability of the Company's counsel on the scheduled hearing date.

On September 19, 2007, a Procedural Order was issued rescheduling the hearing for October 26, 2007, and directing the Company to amend the public notice accordingly.

On September 26, 2007, PWC filed its Response to Staff Report.

On October 18, 2007, the Commission issued notice of a Special Open Meeting to be held December 4, 2007, in Pine, Arizona, for the purpose of taking public comments regarding this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that public comments on the above-captioned matter will be taken at the following location on the date and time indicated below:

Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Pine Elementary School 3868 N. Pine Creek Drive Pine, AZ 85544

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall provide public notice of the public comment session, in no less than 10 point font, in the following form and style:

SPECIAL OPEN MEETING OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF PINE WATER COMPANY TO ENCUMBER ASSETS AND ISSUE EVIDENCE OF INDEBTEDNESS DOCKET NO. W-03512A-07-0362

On June 11, 2007, Pine Water Company ("PWC" or "Company") filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application seeking approval to (1) encumber a part of its plant and system pursuant to A.R.S. §40-285(A); and (2) issue evidence of indebtedness pursuant to A.R.S. §40-302(A). The Company's application is related to a Joint Well Development Agreement ("Agreement") entered into between PWC and the Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District ("PSWID"). According to the application, the Agreement provides, among other things, that PWC would enter into a contingent indebtedness with PSWID in the amount of \$300,000, for costs related to drilling a deep well at the K2 well site, and that PWC's assets would be encumbered in a like amount.

The Commission will hold a public comment session on this matter on Tuesday, December 4, 2007, at 6:30 p.m., at Pine Elementary School, 3868 North Pine Creek Drive, Pine, Arizona.

If you have any questions or concerns about this application or have any objections to its approval, or wish to make a statement in support of it, you may write the Consumer Services Section of the Commission at 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 or call 1-800-222-7000 or appear at the public comment session and make comment.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to its public meetings. Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting the ADA Coordinator, voice phone number 602/542-3931. Requests should be made as early as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall mail to each of its customers a copy of the above notice, and shall cause the notice to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in its service territory, by no later than November 15, 2007.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Company shall file certification of mailing/publication as soon as practical after the mailing has been completed.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice shall be deemed complete upon mailing notwithstanding the failure of an individual property owner or customer to read or receive the notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the ex parte rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113 – Unauthorized Communications) applies to this proceeding as the matter is now set for public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter, amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

DATED this 235 day of October, 2007

DWIGHT D. NODES

Tudes

ASSISTANT CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

1	this <u>A3rd</u> day of October, 2007 to:
2	
3	Jay L. Shapiro Patrick J. Black
4	FENNEMORE CRAIG, PC 3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 2600
5	Phoenix, AZ 85012 Attorneys for Pine Water Company
6	
7	William P. Sullivan CURTIS, GOODWIN, SULLIVAN, UDALL & SCHWAB, P.L.C.
8	501 East Thomas Road Phoenix, AZ 85012-3205
9	Attorneys for Pine-Strawberry Water Improvement District
10	Christopher Kempley, Chief Counsel
11	Legal Division ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1200 West Washington Street
12	1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, AZ 85007
13	Ernest G. Johnson, Director
14	Utilities Division ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION
15	1200 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007
16	ARIZONA REPORTING SERVICE, INC.
17	2200 North Central Avenue, Suite 502 Phoenix, AZ 85004
18	- AL 0
19	By: Debra Broyles
20	Secretary to Dwight D. Nodes
21	
22	
23	
24	
25	
26	
27	
28	